Mountain Weather Forecast

Yorkshire Dales National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 23 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 24 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 23 Mar 2023 at 03:44

Confidence: High for generally unsettled, windy and fairly mild conditions through the next couple of days. Low confidence for details over the weekend, especially for the timings of colder weather extending southwards over the UK.

Headline for Thursday 23 Mar 2023: A windy day with sunny spells and showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 23 Mar 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
70%	60%	40%	40%	40%	40%

Forecast for Thursday 23 Mar 2023

Weather: Heavy rain initially this morning, then a mixture of sunny spells and occasional showers during the day. Some of the showers could be heavy with a small chance of thunder. A few showers likely to continue into the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 20%, becoming 60%, best chance over eastern hills.

Low Cloud and visibility: Poor visibility initially with cloud down to 400m. Then improving to mainly good visibility between showers, with patchy low cloud and fog, mostly above 600m and across western hills, but may briefly come down to 400m and visibility down to a few kilometres in showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	25/33 SW	27/36 SW	24/34 SW	25/35 SW	21/31 SW	18/27 SW	20/30 SW
300	14/31 S	16/34 SW	17/33 SW	15/29 SW	12/26 SW	12/27 SW	13/29 SW
Valley	11/29 SW	14/31 SW	16/32 SW	14/29 SW	10/24 SW	9/23 S	11/26 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	3/-4	3/-4	5/-1	5/-0	5/-0	4/-1	4/-2
300	5/1	6/1	8/4	8/5	7/4	6/3	6/2
Valley	7/3	6/3	9/5	9/6	8/6	8/5	7/4
Freezing Level*	1100m	1100m	1100m	1200m	1200m	1200m	1200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Strong winds giving arduous walking conditions on the tops and feeling cold with a significant wind chill.

Recent rainfall: measured at Malham: altitude 375m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Thu 23 Mar 2023	7.2mm	15.4mm	24.2mm

Forecast for Friday 24 Mar 2023

Weather: Clear spells overnight with showers dying out. A bright morning with brief showers. The showers likely to become heavy, thundery and more frequent in the afternoon, possibly merging into a longer spell of rain and summit sleet. Strong and gusty southwesterly winds.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly 30 to 35mph with gusts 45 to 50mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 60% becoming 30% in afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Patchy low cloud and fog, mostly above 600m and across western hills in the morning but becoming more persistent through the afternoon with patches down to 400m. Mainly good visibility away from cloud but poor at times in showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 6 Celsius rising to 9 Celsius.
At 600m: Plus 3 Celsius rising to 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above summits.

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